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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/010,613  
Filed: December 5, 2001  
Title: Coded Items for Labeling Objects  
Inventors: Paul H. KAYE *et al.*  
Atty. Docket: 17893.006

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew S. Brenc".

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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## Preliminary Amendment

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Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as requested herein.

### In the Specification:

On Page 1, Please delete paragraph [0001] and replace it with the following paragraph:

--The present invention is a continuation-in-part application of United States Serial No.

09/565,426 filed May 5, 2000 entitled CODED MICROPARTICLE IDENTIFICATION

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02 FC:103

LABELS FOR PLACEMENT ON OBJECTS, which is a continuation application of United

States Serial No. 08/737,532, which is the United States National Phase filing under 35 U.S.C. §

371 of International Application PCT/GB95/00756 filed March 31, 1995, which claims the

benefit of Great Britain Application GB 9408169.2 filed April 25, 1994, and the present

invention is also a continuation-in-part application of United States Serial No. 09/634,514 filed

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